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On 21 October will be published Anglo-Soviet communiqué about the arrival in MOSCOW of CHURCHILL and EDEN. We transmit the text of this communiqué:

"In MOSCOW from 9 October through 18 October meetings took place between Mr. CHURCHILL and Mr. EDEN

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and military advisors. In light of recent events and decisions at the Quebec Conference regarding the war in western Europe an exhaustive review was made of the development of the military plans which were agreed at TEHRAN, and firm confidence was expressed as regards the future development of allied operations on all fronts.

On many political questions of common interest a free and sincere exchange of ideas took place.

A significant success was achieved in a decision on the Polish question, which was subject to detailed discussion between the Soviet and British representatives. They had conversations with the Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Polish government in LONDON as well as with the President of the National Council and the President of the Polish Committee for National Liberation in LUBLIN. These negotiations significantly reduced differences and cleared up misunderstandings. Negotiations are continuing on undecided

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All energy against the retreating Germans and for solving the Yugoslav internal difficulties by way of a unification of the Royal Yugoslav government and the National Liberation Movement. The right of the Yugoslav people to decide for themselves their own future state structure after the war, in the final analysis, is recognized to be inalienable.

The meeting took place with the knowledge and approval of the government of the United States, which was represented at the negotiations by the Ambassador of the United States in Moscow Mr. Averill HARRIMAN in the capacity of an observer.

Confirm receipt of this telegram.

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